

August 30, 2013

Bob Kautz, Executive Director Maine Charter School Commission 182 State House Station Augusta, Maine 04333-01823

Dear Mr. Kautz:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our letter of intent. Maine Connections Academy, Inc. (a non-profit) intends to apply for a charter school to serve students in grades 7-12 with a teaching center located in Scarborough.

As requested, I've attached a description of Maine Connections Academy on the following page. The school has an open enrollment policy, and as such, any eligible student in grades 7-12 in the State of Maine can attend. The school anticipates enrolling 300 students in the first year and 750 students at total capacity. Our Governing Board anticipates opening the school in September of 2014.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me via phone at (207) 229-5091 or via email at AVolk@volkboxes.com. I look forward to working with you during the charter school application process.

Sincerely,

Amy Volk

Maine Connections Academy Board Chair

Letter of Intent to Submit a Charter School Application School Program Description Maine Connections Academy

Maine Connections Academy's (MCA) mission is to leverage 21st century education resources on behalf of students who need a more personalized approach to learning. MCA will reach students for whom a cutting-edge virtual approach provides the best pathway to school success. Implementing a uniquely individualized learning program for each student that combines the best in virtual education with real connections among students, family, teachers, and the community promotes academic and emotional success for every learner.

MCA will embody multiple hallmarks of excellence: a rigorous, proven curriculum that is aligned to the Maine Learning Results and the Common Core State Standards; Maine-certified teachers; an educational management system designed specifically for the virtual environment to provide accountability through comprehensive data collection, analysis and reporting; and use of a nationally recognized provider of educational products and services. The Board anticipates contracting through Connections Education.